

Form **990**

**Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax**

OMB No. 1545-0047

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)

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**A For the 2015 calendar year, or tax year beginning and ending**

<b>B</b> Check if applicable: <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Final return/terminated <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	<b>C</b> Name of organization <b>NASHVILLE ZOO INC.</b>		<b>D</b> Employer identification number <b>62-1411210</b>
	Doing business as		<b>E</b> Telephone number <b>(615) 833-1534</b>
	Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address)	Room/suite	<b>G</b> Gross receipts \$ <b>42,776,241.</b>
	<b>3777 NOLENSVILLE ROAD</b>		<b>H(a)</b> Is this a gross return for subordinates? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
	City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code <b>NASHVILLE, TN 37211</b>		<b>H(b)</b> Are subordinates included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>F</b> Name and address of principal officer: <b>RICK SCHWARTZ</b> <b>SAME AS C ABOVE</b>		No, attach a list. (see instructions)	
<b>I</b> Tax-exempt status: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(3) <input type="checkbox"/> 501(c) ( ) (insert no.) <input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) or <input type="checkbox"/> 527		<b>H(c)</b> 501(c) exemption number	
<b>J</b> Website: <b>WWW.NASHVILLEZOO.ORG</b>		<b>L</b> Year of formation: <b>1989</b> <b>M</b> State of legal domicile: <b>TN</b>	
<b>K</b> Form of organization: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Association <input type="checkbox"/> Other			

**Part I Summary**

<b>Activities &amp; Governance</b>	<b>1</b> Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: <b>TO INSPIRE A CULTURE OF UNDERSTANDING AND DISCOVERY OF OUR NATURAL WORLD THROUGH</b>		
	<b>2</b> Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets.		
	<b>3</b> Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	<b>3</b>	<b>21</b>
	<b>4</b> Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	<b>4</b>	<b>21</b>
	<b>5</b> Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2015 (Part V, line 2a)	<b>5</b>	<b>293</b>
	<b>6</b> Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	<b>6</b>	<b>4500</b>
	<b>7 a</b> Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	<b>7a</b>	<b>21,741.</b>
<b>b</b> Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	<b>7b</b>	<b>0.</b>	
<b>Revenue</b>	<b>8</b> Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	<b>Prior Year</b>	<b>Current Year</b>
	<b>9</b> Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	<b>13,370,835.</b>	<b>26,034,005.</b>
	<b>10</b> Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	<b>5,156,401.</b>	<b>4,611,881.</b>
	<b>11</b> Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	<b>939,445.</b>	<b>538,075.</b>
	<b>12</b> Total revenue - add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (C), line 12)	<b>2,919,639.</b>	<b>3,125,190.</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	<b>13</b> Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)	<b>304,502.</b>	<b>496,295.</b>
	<b>14</b> Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)	<b>0.</b>	<b>0.</b>
	<b>15</b> Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)	<b>5,954,945.</b>	<b>6,644,519.</b>
	<b>16a</b> Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11)	<b>24,910.</b>	<b>42,527.</b>
	<b>b</b> Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (A), line 25)	<b>554,512.</b>	
	<b>17</b> Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 12a-14 and 15-17e)	<b>5,938,315.</b>	<b>5,564,988.</b>
<b>18</b> Total expenses. Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	<b>12,222,672.</b>	<b>12,748,329.</b>	
<b>19</b> Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	<b>10,163,648.</b>	<b>21,560,822.</b>	
<b>Net Assets or Fund Balances</b>	<b>20</b> Total assets (Part X, line 16)	<b>Beginning of Current Year</b>	<b>End of Year</b>
	<b>21</b> Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	<b>49,443,678.</b>	<b>71,747,551.</b>
	<b>22</b> Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	<b>797,740.</b>	<b>2,275,106.</b>
		<b>48,645,938.</b>	<b>69,472,445.</b>

**Part II Signature Block**

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

<b>Sign Here</b>	Signature of officer		Date
	<b>RICK SCHWARTZ, PRESIDENT</b> Type or print name and title		
<b>Paid Preparer Use Only</b>	Print/Type preparer's name <b>SARA G. MOON</b>	Preparer's signature	Date
	Firm's name <b>FRASIER, DEAN &amp; HOWARD, PLLC</b>	Firm's EIN <b>62-1073578</b>	Check if self-employed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PTIN <b>P00034774</b>
Firm's address <b>3310 WEST END AVE STE 550 NASHVILLE, TN 37203</b>		Phone no. <b>615-383-6592</b>	

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions)  Yes  No

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part III [X]

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission: IN FULFILLMENT OF OUR MISSION TO INSPIRE A CULTURE OF UNDERSTANDING AND DISCOVERY OF OUR NATURAL WORLD THROUGH CONSERVATION, INNOVATION AND LEADERSHIP, OUR GOAL IS TO BUILD A FIRST CLASS ZOO FOR MIDDLE TENNESSEE AND TO DEVELOP A FACILITY THAT IS RECOGNIZED FOR EXCELLENCE

2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ? [ ] Yes [X] No

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services? [ ] Yes [X] No

4 Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, ... by expenses. Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported.

4a (Code: ) (Expenses \$ 10,318,638. including grants of \$ 50,000. Revenue \$ 4,393,088.) THE ORGANIZATION PROVIDES THE GENERAL PUBLIC WITH A ZOO WHERE IT MAINTAINS ANIMALS AND INFORMS AND EDUCATES THE PUBLIC ABOUT NATURE, ANIMALS AND CONSERVATION.

ZOO: NUMBER OF MILESTONE BIRTHS: FIRST 2 PALAWAN BINTURONGS BORN IN THE U.S. AND THE FIRST BANDED PALM CIVET TO BE BORN IN OVER A DECADE IN THE U.S. AND 2 SOUTH AFRICAN SPRINGBOK BIRTHS (1 OF 3 ZOOS CURRENTLY SUCCESSFULLY BREEDING). OPENED NEW INTERACTIVE SULCATA TORTOISE EXHIBIT. ANIMAL OUTREACH PROGRAM PRESENTED TO 14,713 ATTENDEES OFFSITE. OVER 800,000 PEOPLE VISITED THE ZOO DURING 2015.

4b (Code: ) (Expenses \$ 316,683. including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ 218,793.) EDUCATION: 35,582 STUDENTS VISITED THE ZOO ON FIELD TRIPS OF WHICH 10,165 WERE TITLE I AND 4,737 PARTICIPATED IN WILD ENCOUNTERS PROGRAM (1,001 TITLE I). 846 CHILDREN PARTICIPATED IN HOMESCHOOL DAYS, 3,750 ATTENDED CAMP PROGRAMS AND THE ZOO RECEIVED "BEST OF NASHVILLE AWARD" FROM NASHVILLE SCENE MAGAZINE FOR KIDS' CAMPS.

4c (Code: ) (Expenses \$ 472,945. including grants of \$ 446,295. ) (Revenue \$ ) CONSERVATION: 1,072 ENDANGERED PUERTO RICAN CRESTED TOAD TADPOLES WERE BRED AT ZOO AND SENT TO PUERTO RICO FOR RELEASE. ZOO IS FIRST ORGANIZATION TO BREED EASTERN HELLBENDERS AND THE FIRST TO BREED USING BIOTECHNOLOGY. STAFF DID FIELDWORK ON LOGGERHEAD SHRIKE AS PART OF AN IN SITU PROGRAM TO HELP NATIVE SONGBIRD WHOSE POPULATION HAS SHRUNK 70%. CONTRIBUTED OVER \$400,000 TO CONSERVATION EFFORTS AROUND THE GLOBE AND PRESIDENT SERVED ON BOARD OF GORILLA REHABILITATION AND CONSERVATION EDUCATION CENTER.

4d Other program services (Describe in Schedule O.) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

4e Total program service expenses 11,108,266.

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

Table with 3 columns: Question ID, Yes, No. Rows 1-19 contain various questions about organizational activities and financial reporting, with 'X' marks in the Yes or No columns.

**Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules** (continued)

	Yes	No
<b>20a</b> Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule H</i> .....		X
<b>b</b> If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return? .....		
<b>21</b> Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to any domestic organization or domestic government on Part IX, column (A), line 1? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II</i> .....	X	
<b>22</b> Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for domestic individuals on Part IX, column (A), line 2? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III</i> .....		X
<b>23</b> Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, line 3, 4, or 5 about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J</i> .....	X	
<b>24a</b> Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? <i>If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25a</i> .....		X
<b>b</b> Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception? .....		
<b>c</b> Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds? .....		
<b>d</b> Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year? .....		
<b>25a Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations.</b> Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i> .....		X
<b>b</b> Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-E? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i> .....		X
<b>26</b> Did the organization report any amount on Part X, line 5, 6, or 22 for receivables from or payments to any current or former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, or disqualified persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II</i> .....		X
<b>27</b> Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor or employee thereof, a grant selection committee member, or to a 5% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III</i> .....		X
<b>28</b> Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties (see Schedule L, Part IV instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions):		
<b>a</b> A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i> .....		X
<b>b</b> A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i> .....		X
<b>c</b> An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee (or a family member thereof) was an officer, director, trustee, or direct or indirect owner? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i> .....		X
<b>29</b> Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in net cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i> .....	X	
<b>30</b> Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i> .....		X
<b>31</b> Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or otherwise cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I</i> .....		X
<b>32</b> Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II</i> .....		X
<b>33</b> Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I</i> .....		X
<b>34</b> Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part II, III, or IV, and Part V, line 1</i> .....		X
<b>35a</b> Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? .....		X
<b>b</b> If "Yes" to line 35a, did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i> .....		
<b>36 Section 501(c)(3) organizations.</b> Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i> .....		X
<b>37</b> Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI</i> .....		X
<b>38</b> Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11b and 19? .....	X	

**Note.** All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part V

Main form body containing questions 1a through 14b with columns for 'Yes' and 'No' and numerical input fields.

Part VI Governance, Management, and Disclosure For each "Yes" response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a "No" response to line 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O. See instructions.

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VI [X]

Section A. Governing Body and Management

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include: 1a Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year (21); 1b Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent (21); 2 Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee? (X); 3 Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors, or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person? (X); 4 Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed? (X); 5 Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets? (X); 6 Did the organization have members or stockholders? (X); 7a Did the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who had the power to elect or appoint or more members of the governing body? (X); 7b Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body? (X); 8 Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following: a The governing body? (X); b Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body? (X); 9 Is there any officer, director, trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses in Schedule O (X).

Section B. Policies (This Section B requests information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include: 10a Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates? (X); 10b If "Yes," did the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with the organization's exempt purposes?; 11a Has the organization provided a complete copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form? (X); 11b Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990.; 12a Did the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? "No," go to line 13 (X); 12b Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts? (X); 12c Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this was done (X); 13 Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy? (X); 14 Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy? (X); 15 Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision? a The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official (X); b Other officers or key employees of the organization (X); If "Yes" to line 15a or 15b, describe the process in Schedule O (see instructions).; 16a Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year? (X); 16b If "Yes," did the organization follow a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and take steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements?

Section C. Disclosure

- 17 List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed TN
18 Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (Section 501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply. [X] Own website [X] Another's website [X] Upon request [ ] Other (explain in Schedule O)
19 Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public during the tax year.
20 State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records: RICK SCHWARTZ - (615) 833-1534 3777 NOLENSVILLE ROAD, NASHVILLE, TN 37211

**Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors**

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VII

**Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees**

**1a** Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.
- List all of the organization's **current** key employees, if any. See instructions for definition of "key employee."
- List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee, or key employee) who received reportable compensation (Box 5 of Form W-2 and/or Box 7 of Form 1099-MISC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, and highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former directors or trustees** that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

List persons in the following order: individual trustees or directors; institutional trustees; officers; key employees; highest compensated employees; and former such persons.

Check this box if neither the organization nor any related organization compensated any current officer, director, or trustee.

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(1) CARL HALEY DIRECTOR	0.20	X					0.	0.	0.	
(2) CHARLES SONNENBERG DIRECTOR	0.10	X					0.	0.	0.	
(3) CHRIS WHITSON LEGAL COUNSEL	0.10	X					0.	0.	0.	
(4) JEFF JACOBS DIRECTOR	0.20	X					0.	0.	0.	
(5) JENNIFER FRIST DIRECTOR	0.60	X					0.	0.	0.	
(6) JIM HUNT IMMEDIATE PAST CHAIRMAN	0.15	X					0.	0.	0.	
(7) JOHN HOWARD DIRECTOR	0.25	X					0.	0.	0.	
(8) JULIE WALKER VICE CHAIRMAN	0.70	X		X			0.	0.	0.	
(9) KATHRYN BROWN DIRECTOR	0.40	X					0.	0.	0.	
(10) KELLEY BEAMAN DIRECTOR	0.10	X					0.	0.	0.	
(11) NEELY COBLE DIRECTOR	0.20	X					0.	0.	0.	
(12) RICHARD MCRAE DIRECTOR	0.20	X					0.	0.	0.	
(13) ROBIN PATTON CHAIRMAN	0.60	X		X			0.	0.	0.	
(14) SARAH INGRAM DIRECTOR	0.30	X					0.	0.	0.	
(15) SHERYL ROGERS SECRETARY	0.30	X		X			0.	0.	0.	
(16) TRACIE HAMILTON DIRECTOR	0.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(17) CYNTHIA ARNHOLT DIRECTOR	0.25	X					0.	0.	0.	

**Part VII** Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees (continued)

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(18) KEVIN CRUMBO DIRECTOR	0.30	X					0.	0.	0.	
(19) DAYNISE JOSEPH DIRECTOR	0.25	X					0.	0.	0.	
(20) KENT KIRBY TREASURER	0.60	X		X			0.	0.	0.	
(21) DAVID MANNING DIRECTOR	0.25	X					0.	0.	0.	
(22) ANDY TILLMAN CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER	50.00			X			114,436.	0.	3,263.	
(23) REAGAN FAIRBAIRN CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER	55.00			X			109,860.	0.	3,263.	
(24) RICK SCHWARTZ PRESIDENT	80.00			X			333,698.	0.	12,760.	
(25) SUZANNE ILER CHIEF DEVELOPMENT OFFICER	60.00			X			148,639.	0.	4,820.	
<b>1b Sub-total</b>							706,633.	0.	24,106.	
<b>c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A</b>							0.	0.	0.	
<b>d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)</b>							706,633.	0.	24,106.	

2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization **4**

	Yes	No
3 Did the organization list any former officer, director, or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual		X
4 For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual	X	
5 Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person		X

**Section B. Independent Contractors**

1 Complete this table for your five highest compensated independent contractors that received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation
JOHN HUTCHINSON/HUTCHINSON CONSTRUCTION 207 GANT ROAD, NASHVILLE, TN 37160	CONSTRUCTION WORK	610,744.
CORNETTE/VIOLETTA ARCHITECTS 1117 CYPRESS STREET, CINCINNATI, OH 45206	ARCHITECTURAL WORK	159,935.

2 Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization **2**

**Part VIII Statement of Revenue**

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VIII

			(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512 - 514	
<b>Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts</b>	<b>1 a</b> Federated campaigns .....	<b>1a</b>					
	<b>b</b> Membership dues .....	<b>1b</b>	2,754,419.				
	<b>c</b> Fundraising events .....	<b>1c</b>	169,859.				
	<b>d</b> Related organizations .....	<b>1d</b>					
	<b>e</b> Government grants (contributions) .....	<b>1e</b>	7,897,087.				
	<b>f</b> All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above .....	<b>1f</b>	15,212,640.				
	<b>g</b> Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f: \$ .....		1,250,776.				
	<b>h Total.</b> Add lines 1a-1f .....		26,034,005.				
	<b>Program Service Revenue</b>	<b>2 a</b> ZOO ADMISSIONS .....	<b>Business Code</b> 900099	4,342,643.	4,342,643.		
<b>b</b> EDUCATION PROGRAMS .....		611600	269,238.	269,238.			
<b>c</b> .....							
<b>d</b> .....							
<b>e</b> .....							
<b>f</b> All other program service revenue .....							
<b>g Total.</b> Add lines 2a-2f .....			4,611,881.				
<b>Other Revenue</b>		<b>3</b> Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts) .....		545,674.			545,674.
	<b>4</b> Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds .....						
	<b>5</b> Royalties .....						
	<b>6 a</b> Gross rents .....	(i) Real	244,546.				
		(ii) Personal	204,293.				
		<b>b</b> Less: rental expenses .....	0.				
		<b>c</b> Rental income or (loss) .....	244,546.				
	<b>d</b> Net rental income or (loss) .....		266,287.		21,741.	244,546.	
	<b>7 a</b> Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory .....	(i) Securities	8,012,809.				
		(ii) Other					
		<b>b</b> Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses .....	8,020,408.				
		<b>c</b> Gain or (loss) .....	-7,599.				
	<b>d</b> Net gain or (loss) .....		-7,599.			-7,599.	
	<b>8 a</b> Gross income from fundraising events (net of including \$ 169,859. of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18 .....	<b>a</b>	815,473.				
		<b>b</b> Less: direct expenses .....	264,130.				
<b>c</b> Net income or (loss) from fundraising events .....			551,343.			551,343.	
<b>9 a</b> Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19 .....	<b>a</b>						
	<b>b</b> Less: direct expenses .....						
	<b>c</b> Net income or (loss) from gaming activities .....						
<b>10 a</b> Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances .....	<b>a</b>						
	<b>b</b> Less: cost of goods sold .....						
	<b>c</b> Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory .....						
<b>Miscellaneous Revenue</b>		<b>Business Code</b>					
<b>11 a</b> VENDING .....		900099	1,440,301.			1,440,301.	
	<b>b</b> PARKING .....		812930	493,551.		493,551.	
	<b>c</b> OTHER .....		900099	373,708.		373,708.	
	<b>d</b> All other revenue .....						
<b>e Total.</b> Add lines 11a-11d .....			2,307,560.				
<b>12 Total revenue.</b> See instructions. ....			34,309,151.	4,611,881.	21,741.	3,641,524.	

**Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses**

Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete all columns. All other organizations must complete column (A).

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part IX

Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.	(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1 Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations and domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21	277,765.	277,765.		
2 Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22				
3 Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16	218,530.	218,530.		
4 Benefits paid to or for members				
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	706,633.	423,980.	105,995.	176,658.
6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)				
7 Other salaries and wages	5,045,499.	4,385,216.	431,109.	229,174.
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)	37,150.	28,876.	5,876.	2,398.
9 Other employee benefits	422,369.	326,516.	68,069.	27,784.
10 Payroll taxes	432,868.	336,460.	68,463.	27,945.
11 Fees for services (non-employees):				
a Management				
b Legal	25,431.		25,431.	
c Accounting	23,154.		23,154.	
d Lobbying				
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17	42,527.			42,527.
f Investment management fees	75,905.		75,905.	
g Other. (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Sch O.)	35,573.		35,573.	
12 Advertising and promotion	139,231.	139,231.		
13 Office expenses	39,247.	13,590.	25,657.	
14 Information technology				
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy	559,465.	559,465.		
17 Travel	6,319.		6,319.	
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings				
20 Interest	5,893.	5,893.		
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	2,089,187.	2,068,187.		21,000.
23 Insurance	281,494.	281,494.		
24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above. (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O.)				
a <b>REPAIRS &amp; MAINTENANCE</b>	763,501.	763,501.		
b <b>ANIMAL CARE</b>	567,131.	567,131.		
c <b>MISCELLANEOUS</b>	284,888.	244,962.	39,926.	
d <b>BANK &amp; CREDIT CARD CHAR</b>	138,307.		138,307.	
e All other expenses	530,262.	467,469.	35,767.	27,026.
<b>25 Total functional expenses.</b> Add lines 1 through 24e	<b>12,748,329.</b>	<b>11,108,266.</b>	<b>1,085,551.</b>	<b>554,512.</b>
26 <b>Joint costs.</b> Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation.				

Check here  if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720)

**Part X Balance Sheet**

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part X

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
<b>Assets</b>	<b>1</b> Cash - non-interest-bearing .....	4,800.	<b>1</b>	4,800.
	<b>2</b> Savings and temporary cash investments .....	8,131,168.	<b>2</b>	19,582,114.
	<b>3</b> Pledges and grants receivable, net .....	6,316,870.	<b>3</b>	8,934,864.
	<b>4</b> Accounts receivable, net .....	10,773.	<b>4</b>	33,225.
	<b>5</b> Loans and other receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees. Complete Part II of Schedule L .....		<b>5</b>	
	<b>6</b> Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B), and contributing employers and sponsoring organizations of section 501(c)(9) voluntary employees' beneficiary organizations (see instr). Complete Part II of Sch L .....		<b>6</b>	
	<b>7</b> Notes and loans receivable, net .....		<b>7</b>	
	<b>8</b> Inventories for sale or use .....		<b>8</b>	
	<b>9</b> Prepaid expenses and deferred charges .....	95,076.	<b>9</b>	207,543.
	<b>10a</b> Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D .....	<b>10a</b> 35,945,298.		
	<b>b</b> Less: accumulated depreciation .....	<b>10b</b> 20,301,434.	<b>10c</b>	15,643,864.
	<b>11</b> Investments - publicly traded securities .....	15,959,307.	<b>11</b>	14,212,866.
	<b>12</b> Investments - other securities. See Part IV, line 11 .....		<b>12</b>	
	<b>13</b> Investments - program-related. See Part IV, line 11 .....		<b>13</b>	
	<b>14</b> Intangible assets .....		<b>14</b>	
	<b>15</b> Other assets. See Part IV, line 11 .....	2,401,336.	<b>15</b>	13,128,275.
<b>16 Total assets.</b> Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34) .....	49,443,678.	<b>16</b>	71,747,551.	
<b>Liabilities</b>	<b>17</b> Accounts payable and accrued expenses .....	782,627.	<b>17</b>	1,589,825.
	<b>18</b> Grants payable .....		<b>18</b>	
	<b>19</b> Deferred revenue .....	15,113.	<b>19</b>	230,281.
	<b>20</b> Tax-exempt bond liabilities .....		<b>20</b>	
	<b>21</b> Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D .....		<b>21</b>	
	<b>22</b> Loans and other payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons. Complete Part II of Schedule L .....		<b>22</b>	
	<b>23</b> Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties .....		<b>23</b>	
	<b>24</b> Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties .....		<b>24</b>	
	<b>25</b> Other liabilities (including federal income tax payable to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17-24). Complete Part X of Schedule D .....	0.	<b>25</b>	455,000.
	<b>26 Total liabilities.</b> Add lines 17 through 25 .....	797,740.	<b>26</b>	2,275,106.
<b>Net Assets or Fund Balances</b>	<b>Organizations that follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.</b>			
	<b>27</b> Unrestricted net assets .....	23,228,529.	<b>27</b>	31,910,296.
	<b>28</b> Temporarily restricted net assets .....	12,999,558.	<b>28</b>	26,144,298.
	<b>29</b> Permanently restricted net assets .....	12,417,851.	<b>29</b>	11,417,851.
	<b>Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34.</b>			
	<b>30</b> Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds .....		<b>30</b>	
	<b>31</b> Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund .....		<b>31</b>	
	<b>32</b> Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds .....		<b>32</b>	
<b>33</b> Total net assets or fund balances .....	48,645,938.	<b>33</b>	69,472,445.	
<b>34</b> Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances .....	49,443,678.	<b>34</b>	71,747,551.	

**Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets**

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XI

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	34,309,151.
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	12,748,329.
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	21,560,822.
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	48,645,938.
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	-734,315.
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6	
7	Investment expenses	7	
8	Prior period adjustments	8	
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	9	0.
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	10	69,472,445.

**Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting**

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XII

- 1 Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990:  Cash  Accrual  Other  
If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O.
- 2a Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant?  
If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or reviewed on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both:  
 Separate basis  Consolidated basis  Both consolidated and separate basis
- b Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant?  
If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both:  
 Separate basis  Consolidated basis  Both consolidated and separate basis
- c If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant?  
If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O.
- 3a As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?
- b If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits

	Yes	No
2a		X
2b	X	
2c	X	
3a		X
3b		

**SCHEDULE A**  
**(Form 990 or 990-EZ)**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Public Charity Status and Public Support**

Complete if the organization is a section 501(c)(3) organization or a section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust.  
▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

▶ Information about Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at [www.irs.gov/form990](http://www.irs.gov/form990).

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**2015**

Open to Public Inspection

<b>Name of the organization</b> NASHVILLE ZOO INC.	<b>Employer identification number</b> 62-1411210
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**Part I Reason for Public Charity Status** (All organizations must complete this part.) See instructions.

The organization is not a private foundation because it is: (For lines 1 through 11, check only one box.)

- 1  A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i).**
- 2  A school described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii).** (Attach Schedule E (Form 990 or 990-EZ).)
- 3  A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).**
- 4  A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).** Enter the hospital's name, city, and state: \_\_\_\_\_
- 5  An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv).** (Complete Part II.)
- 6  A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(v).**
- 7  An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).** (Complete Part II.)
- 8  A community trust described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).** (Complete Part II.)
- 9  An organization that normally receives: (1) more than 33 1/3% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions - subject to certain exceptions, and (2) not more than 50% of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975. See **section 509(a)(2).** (Complete Part III.)
- 10  An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety. See **section 509(a)(4).**
- 11  An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in **section 509(a)(1)** or **section 509(a)(2).** See **section 509(a)(3).** Check the box in lines 11a through 11d that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 11e, 11f, and 11g.
  - a  **Type I.** A supporting organization operated, supervised, or controlled by its supported organization(s), typically by giving the supported organization(s) the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the directors or trustees of the supporting organization. **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and B.**
  - b  **Type II.** A supporting organization supervised or controlled in connection with its supported organization(s), by having control or management of the supporting organization vested in the same persons that control or manage the supported organization(s). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and C.**
  - c  **Type III functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with, and functionally integrated with, its supported organization(s) (see instructions). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A, D, and E.**
  - d  **Type III non-functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with its supported organization(s) that is not functionally integrated. The organization generally must satisfy a distribution requirement and an attentiveness requirement (see instructions). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and D, and Part V.**
  - e  Check this box if the organization received a determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, Type III functionally integrated, or Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organization.
- f Enter the number of supported organizations:
- g Provide the following information about the supported organization(s).

(i) Name of supported organization	(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1-9 above (see instructions))	(iv) Is the organization listed in your governing document?		(v) Amount of monetary support (see instructions)	(vi) Amount of other support (see instructions)
			Yes	No		
<b>Total</b>						

**Part II Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Sections 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, or 8 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part III. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part III.)

**Section A. Public Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2011	(b) 2012	(c) 2013	(d) 2014	(e) 2015	(f) Total
<b>1</b> Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.") .....						
<b>2</b> Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf .....						
<b>3</b> The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge .....						
<b>4 Total.</b> Add lines 1 through 3 .....						
<b>5</b> The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f) .....						
<b>6 Public support.</b> Subtract line 5 from line 4.						

**Section B. Total Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2011	(b) 2012	(c) 2013	(d) 2014	(e) 2015	(f) Total
<b>7</b> Amounts from line 4 .....						
<b>8</b> Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources .....						
<b>9</b> Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on .....						
<b>10</b> Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.) .....						
<b>11 Total support.</b> Add lines 7 through 10						
<b>12</b> Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions) .....					12	
<b>13 First five years.</b> If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and <b>stop here</b> .....						<input type="checkbox"/>

**Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage**

<b>14</b> Public support percentage for 2015 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f)) .....	14	%
<b>15</b> Public support percentage from 2014 Schedule A, Part II, line 14 .....	15	%
<b>16a 33 1/3% support test - 2015.</b> If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and <b>stop here.</b> The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization .....		<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>b 33 1/3% support test - 2014.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and <b>stop here.</b> The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization .....		<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>17a 10% -facts-and-circumstances test - 2015.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and <b>stop here.</b> Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization .....		<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>b 10% -facts-and-circumstances test - 2014.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and <b>stop here.</b> Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization .....		<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>18 Private foundation.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions .....		<input type="checkbox"/>

**Part III Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Section 509(a)(2)**

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 9 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part II. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part II.)

**Section A. Public Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2011	(b) 2012	(c) 2013	(d) 2014	(e) 2015	(f) Total
<b>1</b> Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.") .....	3114376.	3834121.	7735095.	13370835.	26034005.	54088432.
<b>2</b> Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose .....	3923440.	5047322.	4893189.	5883648.	5427354.	25174953.
<b>3</b> Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513 .....						
<b>4</b> Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf .....						
<b>5</b> The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge .....						
<b>6 Total.</b> Add lines 1 through 5 .....	7037816.	8881443.	12628284.	19254483.	31461359.	79263385.
<b>7a</b> Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons .....	245,458.	332,159.	673,632.	3384043.	8722864.	13358156.
<b>b</b> Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of \$5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year .....						0.
<b>c</b> Add lines 7a and 7b .....	245,458.	332,159.	673,632.	3384043.	8722864.	13358156.
<b>8 Public support.</b> (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)						65905229.

**Section B. Total Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2011	(b) 2012	(c) 2013	(d) 2014	(e) 2015	(f) Total
<b>9</b> Amounts from line 6 .....	7037816.	8881443.	12628284.	19254483.	31461359.	79263385.
<b>10a</b> Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources .....	378,851.	413,944.	404,468.	880,776.	978,933.	3056972.
<b>b</b> Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975 .....						
<b>c</b> Add lines 10a and 10b .....	378,851.	413,944.	404,468.	880,776.	978,933.	3056972.
<b>11</b> Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on .....					15,580.	15,580.
<b>12</b> Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.) .....	1768355.	2721558.	2053553.	2385318.	2307560.	11236344.
<b>13 Total support.</b> (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.)	9185022.	12016945.	15086305.	22520577.	34763432.	93572281.

**14 First five years.** If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and **stop here** .....

**Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage**

<b>15</b> Public support percentage for 2015 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f)) .....	15	70.43 %
<b>16</b> Public support percentage from 2014 Schedule A, Part III, line 15 .....	16	74.63 %

**Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage**

<b>17</b> Investment income percentage for 2015 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f)) .....	17	3.27 %
<b>18</b> Investment income percentage from 2014 Schedule A, Part III, line 17 .....	18	3.57 %

**19a 33 1/3% support tests - 2015.** If the organization did not check the box on line 14, and line 15 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 17 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and **stop here.** The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization .....

**b 33 1/3% support tests - 2014.** If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or line 19a, and line 16 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 18 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and **stop here.** The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization .....

**20 Private foundation.** If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a, or 19b, check this box and see instructions .....

**Part IV Supporting Organizations**

(Complete only if you checked a box in line 11 on Part I. If you checked 11a of Part I, complete Sections A and B. If you checked 11b of Part I, complete Sections A and C. If you checked 11c of Part I, complete Sections A, D, and E. If you checked 11d of Part I, complete Sections A and D, and complete Part V.)

**Section A. All Supporting Organizations**

	Yes	No
<b>1</b> Are all of the organization's supported organizations listed by name in the organization's governing documents? <i>If "No" describe in Part VI how the supported organizations are designated. If designated by class or purpose, describe the designation. If historic and continuing relationship, explain.</i>		
<b>2</b> Did the organization have any supported organization that does not have an IRS determination of status under section 509(a)(1) or (2)? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI how the organization determined that the supported organization was described in section 509(a)(1) or (2).</i>		
<b>3a</b> Did the organization have a supported organization described in section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6)? <i>If "Yes," answer (b) and (c) below.</i>		
<b>b</b> Did the organization confirm that each supported organization qualified under section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) and satisfied the public support tests under section 509(a)(2)? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI when and how the organization made the determination.</i>		
<b>c</b> Did the organization ensure that all support to such organizations was used exclusively for section 170(c)(1)(B) purposes? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization put in place to ensure such use.</i>		
<b>4a</b> Was any supported organization not organized in the United States ("foreign supported organization")? <i>If "Yes," and if you checked 11a or 11b in Part I, answer (b) and (c) below.</i>		
<b>b</b> Did the organization have ultimate control and discretion in deciding whether to make grants to the foreign supported organization? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI how the organization had such control and discretion despite being controlled or supervised by or in connection with its supported organizations.</i>		
<b>c</b> Did the organization support any foreign supported organization that does not have an IRS determination under sections 501(c)(3) and 509(a)(1) or (2)? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization used to ensure that all support to the foreign supported organization was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes.</i>		
<b>5a</b> Did the organization add, substitute, or remove any supported organization during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," answer (b) and (c) below (if applicable). Also, provide detail in Part VI, including (i) the names and EIN numbers of the supported organizations added, substituted, or removed; (ii) the reasons for each such action; (iii) the authority under the organization's organizing document authorizing each action; and (iv) how the action was accomplished (such as by amendment to the organizing document).</i>		
<b>b Type I or Type II only.</b> Was any added or substituted supported organization part of a class already designated in the organization's organizing document?		
<b>c Substitutions only.</b> Was the substitution the result of a event beyond the organization's control?		
<b>6</b> Did the organization provide support (whether in the form of grants or the provision of services or facilities) to anyone other than (i) its supported organizations, (ii) individuals that are part of the charitable class benefited by one or more of its supported organizations, or (iii) other supporting organizations that also support or benefit one or more of the filing organization's supported organizations? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
<b>7</b> Did the organization provide a grant, loan, compensation, or other similar payment to a substantial contributor (defined in section 4958(c)(3)(C)), a family member of a substantial contributor, or a 35% controlled entity with regard to a substantial contributor? <i>If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990 or 990-EZ).</i>		
<b>8</b> Did the organization make a loan to a disqualified person (as defined in section 4958) not described in line 7? <i>If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990 or 990-EZ).</i>		
<b>9a</b> Was the organization controlled directly or indirectly at any time during the tax year by one or more disqualified persons as defined in section 4946 (other than foundation managers and organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or (2))? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
<b>b</b> Did one or more disqualified persons (as defined in line 9a) hold a controlling interest in any entity in which the supporting organization had an interest? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
<b>c</b> Did a disqualified person (as defined in line 9a) have an ownership interest in, or derive any personal benefit from, assets in which the supporting organization also had an interest? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
<b>10a</b> Was the organization subject to the excess business holdings rules of section 4943 because of section 4943(f) (regarding certain Type II supporting organizations, and all Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations)? <i>If "Yes," answer 10b below.</i>		
<b>b</b> Did the organization have any excess business holdings in the tax year? <i>(Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine whether the organization had excess business holdings.)</i>		

**Part IV Supporting Organizations** (continued)

	Yes	No
<b>11</b> Has the organization accepted a gift or contribution from any of the following persons?		
<b>a</b> A person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in (b) and (c) below, the governing body of a supported organization?		
<b>b</b> A family member of a person described in (a) above?		
<b>c</b> A 35% controlled entity of a person described in (a) or (b) above? If "Yes" to a, b, or c, provide detail in Part VI.		

**Section B. Type I Supporting Organizations**

	Yes	No
<b>1</b> Did the directors, trustees, or membership of one or more supported organizations have the power to regularly appoint or elect at least a majority of the organization's directors or trustees at all times during the tax year? If "No," describe in Part VI how the supported organization(s) effectively operated, supervised, or controlled the organization's activities. If the organization had more than one supported organization, describe how the powers to appoint and/or remove directors or trustees were allocated among the supported organizations and what conditions or restrictions, if any, applied to such powers during the tax year.		
<b>2</b> Did the organization operate for the benefit of any supported organization other than the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised, or controlled the supporting organization? If "Yes," explain in Part VI how providing such benefit carried out the purposes of the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised, or controlled the supporting organization.		

**Section C. Type II Supporting Organizations**

	Yes	No
<b>1</b> Were a majority of the organization's directors or trustees during the tax year also a majority of the directors or trustees of each of the organization's supported organization(s)? If "No," describe in Part VI how control or management of the supporting organization was vested in the same persons that controlled or managed the supported organization(s).		

**Section D. All Type III Supporting Organizations**

	Yes	No
<b>1</b> Did the organization provide to each of its supported organizations, by the last day of the fifth month of the organization's tax year, (i) a written notice describing the type and amount of support provided during the prior tax year, (ii) a copy of the Form 990 that was most recently filed as of the date of notification, and (iii) copies of the organization's governing documents in effect on the date of notification, to the extent not previously provided?		
<b>2</b> Were any of the organization's officers, directors, or trustees either appointed or elected by the supported organization(s) or (ii) serving on the governing body of a supported organization? If "No," explain in Part VI how the organization maintained a close and continuous working relationship with the supported organization(s).		
<b>3</b> By reason of the relationship described in (2), did the organization's supported organizations have a significant voice in the organization's investment policies and directing the use of the organization's income or assets at all times during the tax year? If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role the organization's supported organizations played in this regard.		

**Section E. Type III Functionally-Integrated Supporting Organizations**

<b>1</b> Check the box next to the method that the organization used to satisfy the Integral Part Test during the year (see instructions):		
<b>a</b> <input type="checkbox"/> The organization satisfied the Activities Test. Complete line 2 below.		
<b>b</b> <input type="checkbox"/> The organization is the parent of each of its supported organizations. Complete line 3 below.		
<b>c</b> <input type="checkbox"/> The organization supported a governmental entity. Describe in Part VI how you supported a government entity (see instructions).		
<b>2</b> Activities Test. Answer (a) and (b) below.		
<b>a</b> Did substantially all of the organization's activities during the tax year directly further the exempt purposes of the supported organization(s) to which the organization was responsive? If "Yes," then in Part VI identify those supported organizations and explain how these activities directly furthered their exempt purposes, how the organization was responsive to those supported organizations, and how the organization determined that these activities constituted substantially all of its activities.		
<b>b</b> Did the activities described in (a) constitute activities that, but for the organization's involvement, one or more of the organization's supported organization(s) would have been engaged in? If "Yes," explain in Part VI the reasons for the organization's position that its supported organization(s) would have engaged in these activities but for the organization's involvement.		
<b>3</b> Parent of Supported Organizations. Answer (a) and (b) below.		
<b>a</b> Did the organization have the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the officers, directors, or trustees of each of the supported organizations? Provide details in Part VI.		
<b>b</b> Did the organization exercise a substantial degree of direction over the policies, programs, and activities of each of its supported organizations? If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role played by the organization in this regard.		

**Part V Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations**

1  Check here if the organization satisfied the Integral Part Test as a qualifying trust on Nov. 20, 1970. See instructions. All other Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations must complete Sections A through E.

<b>Section A - Adjusted Net Income</b>		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1	Net short-term capital gain	1	
2	Recoveries of prior-year distributions	2	
3	Other gross income (see instructions)	3	
4	Add lines 1 through 3	4	
5	Depreciation and depletion	5	
6	Portion of operating expenses paid or incurred for production or collection of gross income or for management, conservation, or maintenance of property held for production of income (see instructions)	6	
7	Other expenses (see instructions)	7	
8	<b>Adjusted Net Income</b> (subtract lines 5, 6 and 7 from line 4)	8	

<b>Section B - Minimum Asset Amount</b>		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1	Aggregate fair market value of all non-exempt-use assets (see instructions for short tax year or assets held for part of year):		
a	Average monthly value of securities	1a	
b	Average monthly cash balances	1b	
c	Fair market value of other non-exempt-use assets	1c	
d	<b>Total</b> (add lines 1a, 1b, and 1c)	1d	
e	<b>Discount</b> claimed for blockage or other factors (explain in detail in <b>Part VI</b> ):		
2	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to non-exempt-use assets	2	
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1d	3	
4	Cash deemed held for exempt use. Enter 1-1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions).	4	
5	Net value of non-exempt-use assets (subtract line 4 from line 3)	5	
6	Multiply line 5 by .035	6	
7	Recoveries of prior-year distributions	7	
8	<b>Minimum Asset Amount</b> (add line 7 to line 6)	8	

<b>Section C - Distributable Amount</b>		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year
1	Adjusted net income for prior year (from Section A, line 8, column A)	1	
2	Enter 85% of line 1	2	
3	Minimum asset amount for prior year (from Section B, line 8, column A)	3	
4	Enter greater of line 2 or line 3	4	
5	Income tax imposed in prior year	5	
6	<b>Distributable Amount.</b> Subtract line 5 from line 4, unless subject to emergency temporary reduction (see instructions)	6	
7	<input type="checkbox"/> Check here if the current year is the organization's first as a non-functionally-integrated Type III supporting organization (see instructions).		

**Part V Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations** (continued)

Section D - Distributions	Current Year
<b>1</b> Amounts paid to supported organizations to accomplish exempt purposes	
<b>2</b> Amounts paid to perform activity that directly furthers exempt purposes of supported organizations, in excess of income from activity	
<b>3</b> Administrative expenses paid to accomplish exempt purposes of supported organizations	
<b>4</b> Amounts paid to acquire exempt-use assets	
<b>5</b> Qualified set-aside amounts (prior IRS approval required)	
<b>6</b> Other distributions (describe in <b>Part VI</b> ). See instructions.	
<b>7 Total annual distributions.</b> Add lines 1 through 6.	
<b>8</b> Distributions to attentive supported organizations to which the organization is responsive (provide details in <b>Part VI</b> ). See instructions.	
<b>9</b> Distributable amount for 2015 from Section C, line 6	
<b>10</b> Line 8 amount divided by Line 9 amount	

Section E - Distribution Allocations (see instructions)	(i) Excess Distributions	(ii) Underdistributions Pre-2015	(iii) Distributable Amount for 2015
<b>1</b> Distributable amount for 2015 from Section C, line 6			
<b>2</b> Underdistributions, if any, for years prior to 2015 (reasonable cause required-see instructions)			
<b>3</b> Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2015:			
<b>a</b>			
<b>b</b>			
<b>c</b>			
<b>d</b> From 2013			
<b>e</b> From 2014			
<b>f Total</b> of lines 3a through e			
<b>g</b> Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
<b>h</b> Applied to 2015 distributable amount			
<b>i</b> Carryover from 2010 not applied (see instructions)			
<b>j</b> Remainder. Subtract lines 3g, 3h, and 3i from 3f.			
<b>4</b> Distributions for 2015 from Section D, line 7: \$			
<b>a</b> Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
<b>b</b> Applied to 2015 distributable amount			
<b>c</b> Remainder. Subtract lines 4a and 4b from 4.			
<b>5</b> Remaining underdistributions for years prior to 2015, if any. Subtract lines 3g and 4a from line 2 (if amount greater than zero, see instructions).			
<b>6</b> Remaining underdistributions for 2015. Subtract lines 3h and 4b from line 1 (if amount greater than zero, see instructions).			
<b>7 Excess distributions carryover to 2016.</b> Add lines 3j and 4c.			
<b>8</b> Breakdown of line 7:			
<b>a</b>			
<b>b</b>			
<b>c</b> Excess from 2013			
<b>d</b> Excess from 2014			
<b>e</b> Excess from 2015			

**Part VI** **Supplemental Information.** Provide the explanations required by Part II, line 10; Part II, line 17a or 17b; Part III, line 12; Part IV, Section A, lines 1, 2, 3b, 3c, 4b, 4c, 5a, 6, 9a, 9b, 9c, 11a, 11b, and 11c; Part IV, Section B, lines 1 and 2; Part IV, Section C, line 1; Part IV, Section D, lines 2 and 3; Part IV, Section E, lines 1c, 2a, 2b, 3a and 3b; Part V, line 1; Part V, Section B, line 1e; Part V, Section D, lines 5, 6, and 8; and Part V, Section E, lines 2, 5, and 6. Also complete this part for any additional information. (See instructions.)

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Schedule B

(Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF)

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Schedule of Contributors

Attach to Form 990, Form 990-EZ, or Form 990-PF. Information about Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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2015

Name of the organization

NASHVILLE ZOO INC.

Employer identification number

62-1411210

Organization type (check one):

Filers of:

Section:

Form 990 or 990-EZ

[X] 501(c)( 3 ) (enter number) organization

[ ] 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust not treated as a private foundation

[ ] 527 political organization

Form 990-PF

[ ] 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation

[ ] 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust treated as a private foundation

[ ] 501(c)(3) taxable private foundation

Check if your organization is covered by the General Rule or a Special Rule.

Note. Only a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization can check boxes for both the General Rule and a Special Rule. See instructions.

General Rule

[X] For an organization filing Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF that received, during the year, contributions totaling \$5,000 or more (in money or property) from any one contributor. Complete Parts I and II. See instructions for determining a contributor's total contributions.

Special Rules

[ ] For an organization described in section 501(c)(3) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that met the 33 1/3% support test of the regulations under sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi), that checked Schedule A of Form 990 or 990-EZ, Part II, line 13, 16a, or 16b, and that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of more than (1) \$5,000 or (2) 2% of the amount on (i) Form 990, Part VIII, line 1h, or (ii) Form 990-EZ, line 1. Complete Parts I and II.

[ ] For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of more than \$1,000 exclusively for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals. Complete Parts I, II, and III.

[ ] For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, contributions exclusively for religious, charitable, etc., purposes, but no such contributions totaled more than \$1,000. If this box is checked, enter here the total contributions that were received during the year for an exclusively religious, charitable, etc., purpose. Do not complete any of the parts unless the General Rule applies to this organization because it received nonexclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributions totaling \$5,000 or more during the year. \$

Caution. An organization that is not covered by the General Rule and/or the Special Rules does not file Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF), but it must answer "No" on Part IV, line 2, of its Form 990; or check the box on line H of its Form 990-EZ or on its Form 990-PF, Part I, line 2, to certify that it does not meet the filing requirements of Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).

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**Part I Contributors** (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part I if additional space is needed.

(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
1	 <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ <u>10,800.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
2	 <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ <u>32,200.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
3	 <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ <u>1,030,000.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
4	 <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ <u>27,463.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
5	 <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ <u>10,000.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
6	 <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ <u>52,000.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)

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7	 <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ <u>10,000.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
8	 <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ <u>5,000.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
9	 <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ <u>5,000,250.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
10	 <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ <u>10,500.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
11	 <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ <u>30,000.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
12	 <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ <u>5,000.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)

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13	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ 200,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
14	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ 5,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
15	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ 747,050.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
16	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ 20,500.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
17	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ 179,706.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
18	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ 7,717,381.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)

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19	_____ _____ _____	\$ 5,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
20	_____ _____ _____	\$ 21,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
21	_____ _____ _____	\$ 50,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
22	_____ _____ _____	\$ 175,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
23	_____ _____ _____	\$ 10,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
24	_____ _____ _____	\$ 7,500.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)

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25	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ 15,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
26	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ 5,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
27	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ 5,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
28	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ 7,500.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
29	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ 45,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
30	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ 7,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)

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31	_____ _____ _____	\$ 360,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
32	_____ _____ _____	\$ 2,015,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
33	_____ _____ _____	\$ 10,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
34	_____ _____ _____	\$ 5,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
35	_____ _____ _____	\$ 6,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
36	_____ _____ _____	\$ 5,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)

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37	 <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ <u>32,466.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
38	 <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ <u>5,000.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
39	 <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ <u>5,000.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
40	 <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ <u>40,000.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
41	 <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ <u>32,000.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
42	 <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ <u>63,424.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)

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**Part I Contributors** (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part I if additional space is needed.

(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
43	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ 26,880.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
44	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ 5,500.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
45	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ 1,004,105.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
46	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ 202,441.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
47	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ 8,652.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
48	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ 25,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)

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(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
49	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ <u>20,000.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
50	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ <u>15,000.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
51	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ <u>6,000.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
52	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ <u>11,250.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
53	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ <u>6,000.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
54	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ <u>5,500.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)

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(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
55	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ <u>7,685.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
56	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ <u>5,000.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
57	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ <u>125,000.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
58	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ <u>11,250.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
59	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ <u>20,000.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
60	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ <u>6,709.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)

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**Part I Contributors** (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part I if additional space is needed.

(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
61	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ 10,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
62	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ 7,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
63	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ 160,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
64	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ 17,321.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
65	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ 10,110.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
66	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ 240,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)

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(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
67	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ 20,800.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
68	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ 5,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
69	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ 70,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
70	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ 18,257.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
71	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ 24,100.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
72	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ 6,300.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)

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**Part I Contributors** (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part I if additional space is needed.

(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
73	_____	\$ 50,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
_____	_____	\$ _____	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
_____	_____	\$ _____	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
_____	_____	\$ _____	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
_____	_____	\$ _____	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
_____	_____	\$ _____	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
_____	_____	\$ _____	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)

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**Part II Noncash Property** (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part II if additional space is needed.

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (see instructions)	(d) Date received
37	369 SHS AMSURG	\$ 30,466.	12/16/15
45	10,769 SHS HCA HOLDING	1,004,105.	07/16/15
46	VARIOUS PUBLICLY TRADED SECURITIES	\$ 134,541.	12/22/15
47	155 SHS RENASANT CORP	\$ 5,152.	07/16/15
60	90 SHS RAYMOND JAMES FINANCIAL, INC.	\$ 5,209.	08/14/15
70	300 SHS ALTRIA GROUP	\$ 15,757.	07/10/15

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**Part III** Exclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributions to organizations described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) that total more than \$1,000 for the year from any one contributor. Complete columns (a) through (e) and the following line entry. For organizations completing Part III, enter the total of exclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributions of \$1,000 or less for the year. (Enter this info. once.) ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Use duplicate copies of Part III if additional space is needed.

<b>(a) No. from Part I</b>	<b>(b) Purpose of gift</b>	<b>(c) Use of gift</b>	<b>(d) Description of how gift is held</b>
<b>(e) Transfer of gift</b>			
<b>Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4</b>		<b>Relationship of transferor to transferee</b>	
<b>(a) No. from Part I</b>	<b>(b) Purpose of gift</b>	<b>(c) Use of gift</b>	<b>(d) Description of how gift is held</b>
<b>(e) Transfer of gift</b>			
<b>Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4</b>		<b>Relationship of transferor to transferee</b>	
<b>(a) No. from Part I</b>	<b>(b) Purpose of gift</b>	<b>(c) Use of gift</b>	<b>(d) Description of how gift is held</b>
<b>(e) Transfer of gift</b>			
<b>Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4</b>		<b>Relationship of transferor to transferee</b>	
<b>(a) No. from Part I</b>	<b>(b) Purpose of gift</b>	<b>(c) Use of gift</b>	<b>(d) Description of how gift is held</b>
<b>(e) Transfer of gift</b>			
<b>Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4</b>		<b>Relationship of transferor to transferee</b>	

SCHEDULE D (Form 990)

Supplemental Financial Statements

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Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 12a, or 12b. Attach to Form 990.

Information about Schedule D (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 6.

Table with 3 columns: Question, (a) Donor advised funds, (b) Funds and other accounts. Rows include total number at end of year, aggregate value of contributions, grants, and end of year, and two yes/no questions about donor information.

Part II Conservation Easements. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 7.

Form with multiple questions (1-9) regarding conservation easements, including checkboxes for various purposes, a table for held easements at the end of the tax year, and yes/no questions about monitoring and reporting.

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 8.

Form with questions (1a, 1b, 2) regarding reporting of art and historical treasures, including amounts for revenue and assets.

**Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets** (continued)

- 3 Using the organization's acquisition, accession, and other records, check any of the following that are a significant use of its collection items (check all that apply):
- a  Public exhibition
  - b  Scholarly research
  - c  Preservation for future generations
  - d  Loan or exchange programs
  - e  Other \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIII.
- 5 During the year, did the organization solicit or receive donations of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets to be sold to raise funds rather than to be maintained as part of the organization's collection?  Yes  No

**Part IV Escrow and Custodial Arrangements.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 9, or reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21.

- 1a Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X?  Yes  No
- b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII and complete the following table:
- |                                 | Amount |
|---------------------------------|--------|
| c Beginning balance             | 1c     |
| d Additions during the year     | 1d     |
| e Distributions during the year | 1e     |
| f Ending balance                | 1f     |
- 2a Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability?  Yes  No
- b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII. Check here if the explanation has been provided on Part XIII

**Part V Endowment Funds.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part V, line 10.

	(a) Current year	(b) Prior year	Two years back	(d) Three years back	(e) Four years back
1a Beginning of year balance	14,735,374.	14,019,644.	12,017,622.	11,560,198.	11,689,303.
b Contributions	20,000.	21,000.		5,090.	1,066.
c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses	-286,364.	694,730.	2,069,534.	1,466,018.	-94,530.
d Grants or scholarships					
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs				950,000.	
f Administrative expenses			67,512.	63,684.	35,641.
g End of year balance	14,469,010.	14,735,374.	14,019,644.	12,017,622.	11,560,198.

- 2 Provide the estimated percentage of the current year end balance (column (a) held) as:
- a Board designated or quasi-endowment  100.00 %
  - b Permanent endowment  %
  - c Temporarily restricted endowment  %
- The percentages on lines 2a, 2b, and 2c should equal 100%.
- 3a Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by:
- |   | Yes | No |
|---|-----|----|
| (i) unrelated organizations   |     | X  |
| (ii) related organizations  |     | X  |
| b If "Yes" on line 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R? <input type="checkbox"/> | 3b  |    |
- 4 Describe in Part XIII the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds.

**Part VI Land, Buildings, and Equipment.**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11a. See Form 990, Part X, line 10.

Description of property	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Accumulated depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land		200,000.		200,000.
b Buildings		33,185,675.	18,238,511.	14,947,164.
c Leasehold improvements				
d Equipment		2,559,623.	2,062,923.	496,700.
e Other				
<b>Total.</b> Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10c.)				15,643,864.

**Part VII Investments - Other Securities.**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11b. See Form 990, Part X, line 12.

(a) Description of security or category (including name of security)	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation: Cost or end-of-year market value
(1) Financial derivatives .....		
(2) Closely-held equity interests .....		
(3) Other .....		
(A)		
(B)		
(C)		
(D)		
(E)		
(F)		
(G)		
(H)		
<b>Total.</b> (Col. (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 12.) ▶		

**Part VIII Investments - Program Related.**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11c. See Form 990, Part X, line 13.

(a) Description of investment	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation: Cost or end-of-year market value
(1)		
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		
<b>Total.</b> (Col. (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 13.) ▶		

**Part IX Other Assets.**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11d. See Form 990, Part X, line 15.

(a) Description	(b) Book value
(1) CONSTRUCTION IN PROGRESS	12,678,275.
(2) DEPOSITS	450,000.
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
<b>Total.</b> (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 15.) ▶	13,128,275.

**Part X Other Liabilities.**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11e or 11f. See Form 990, Part X, line 25.

1. (a) Description of liability	(b) Book value
(1) Federal income taxes	
(2) LINE OF CREDIT	455,000.
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
<b>Total.</b> (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 25.) ▶	455,000.

2. Liability for uncertain tax positions. In Part XIII, provide the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that reports the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740). Check here if the text of the footnote has been provided in Part XIII

**Part XI Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return.**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements		1	34,026,516.
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12:			
a	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	2a	-734,315.	
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b	4,998.	
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c		
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	2d	446,682.	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	-282,635.	
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	34,309,151.	
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1:			
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a		
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	4b		
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	0.	
5	Total revenue. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12.)	5	34,309,151.	

**Part XII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return.**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements		1	13,200,009.
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25:			
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a	4,998.	
b	Prior year adjustments	2b		
c	Other losses	2c		
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	2d	446,682.	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	451,680.	
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	12,748,329.	
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1:			
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a		
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	4b		
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	0.	
5	Total expenses. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 13.)	5	12,748,329.	

**Part XIII Supplemental Information.**

Provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9; Part III, lines 1 and 2; Part IV, lines 1b and 2b; Part V, line 4; Part X, line 2; Part XI, lines 2d and 4b; and Part XII, lines 2d and 4b. Also complete this section to provide any additional information.

**PART V, LINE 4:**

TO FUND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AT THE ZOO FACILITY OR PAY OPERATING EXPENSES AS NEEDED.

**PART X, LINE 2:**

THE ORGANIZATION IS EXEMPT FROM INCOME TAXES UNDER SECTION 501(C)(3) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE AND HAS BEEN CLASSIFIED AS OTHER THAN A PRIVATE FOUNDATION. ACCORDINGLY, NO PROVISION HAS BEEN MADE FOR INCOME TAXES IN THE ACCOMPANYING FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

THE ORGANIZATION FOLLOWS FASB ASC GUIDANCE RELATED TO UNRECOGNIZED TAX

BENEFITS. THE GUIDANCE CLARIFIES THE ACCOUNTING FOR UNCERTAINTY IN INCOME

**Part XIII** Supplemental Information (continued)

TAXES RECOGNIZED IN AN ORGANIZATION'S FINANCIAL STATEMENTS. THIS GUIDANCE PRESCRIBES A MINIMUM PROBABILITY THRESHOLD THAT A TAX POSITION MUST MEET BEFORE A FINANCIAL STATEMENT BENEFIT IS RECOGNIZED. THE MINIMUM THRESHOLD IS DEFINED AS A TAX POSITION THAT IS MORE LIKELY THAN NOT TO BE SUSTAINED UPON EXAMINATION BY THE APPLICABLE TAXING AUTHORITY, INCLUDING RESOLUTION OF ANY RELATED APPEALS OR LITIGATION PROCESSES, BASED ON THE TECHNICAL MERITS OF THE POSITION. THE TAX BENEFIT TO BE RECOGNIZED IS MEASURED AS THE LARGEST AMOUNT OF BENEFIT THAT IS GREATER THAN FIFTY PERCENT LIKELY OF BEING REALIZED UPON ULTIMATE SETTLEMENT. THE ORGANIZATION HAS NO TAX PENALTIES OR INTEREST REPORTED IN THE ACCOMPANYING FINANCIAL STATEMENTS. TAX YEARS REMAINING OPEN FOR EXAMINATION INCLUDE THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012 THROUGH 2015.

PART XI, LINE 2D - OTHER ADJUSTMENTS:

SPECIAL EVENTS COSTS	264,130.
RENTAL EXPENSES	182,552.
TOTAL TO SCHEDULE D, PART XI, LINE 2D	446,682.

PART XII, LINE 2D - OTHER ADJUSTMENTS:

RENTAL EXPENSES	182,552.
SPECIAL EVENTS COSTS	264,130.
TOTAL TO SCHEDULE D, PART XII, LINE 2D	446,682.

**SCHEDULE F  
(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Statement of Activities Outside the United States**

▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 14b, 15, or 16.

▶ Attach to Form 990.

▶ Information about Schedule F (Form 990) and its instructions is at [www.irs.gov/form990](http://www.irs.gov/form990).

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**Part I General Information on Activities Outside the United States.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 14b.

**1 For grantmakers.** Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of its grants and other assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance? .....  **Yes**  **No**

**2 For grantmakers.** Describe in Part V the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of its grants and other assistance outside the United States.

**3 Activities per Region.** (The following Part I, line 3 table can be duplicated if additional space is needed.)

(a) Region	(b) Number of offices in the region	(c) Number of employees, agents, and independent contractors in region	(d) Activities conducted in region (by type) (e.g., fundraising, program services, investments, grants to recipients located in the region)	(e) Activity listed in (d) (program service, described specific type (service)) in region	(f) Total expenditures for and investments in region
SOUTH AMERICA - ARGENTINA, BOLIVIA, BRAZIL, CHILE, COLUMBIA, ECUADOR,	0	0	CONTRIBUTIONS	ANIMAL CONSERVATION	70,000.
EAST ASIA AND THE PACIFIC - AUSTRALIA, BRUNEI, BURMA, CAMBODIA,	0	0	CONTRIBUTIONS	ANIMAL CONSERVATION	93,830.
EUROPE (INCLUDING ICELAND & GREENLAND) - ALBANIA, ANDORRA, AUSTRIA, BELGIUM	0	0	CONTRIBUTIONS	ANIMAL CONSERVATION	54,700.
<b>3 a</b> Sub-total .....	0	0			218,530.
<b>b</b> Total from continuation sheets to Part I .....	0	0			0.
<b>c Totals</b> (add lines 3a and 3b) .....	0	0			218,530.

**Part II** Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations or Entities Outside the United States. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 15, for any recipient who received more than \$5,000. Part II can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

1 (a) Name of organization	(b) IRS code section and EIN (if applicable)	(c) Region	(d) Purpose of grant	(e) Amount of cash grant	(f) Manner of cash disbursement	(g) Amount of non-cash assistance	(h) Description of non-cash assistance	(i) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)
		EAST ASIA AND THE PACIFIC - AUSTRALIA, BRUNEI, BURMA,	ANIMAL CONSERVATION	92,280.	CHECK AND WIRE TRANSFERS	0.		FMV
		SOUTH AMERICA - ARGENTINA, BOLIVIA, BRAZIL, CHILE, COLUMBIA,	ANIMAL CONSERVATION	45,000.	WIRE TRANSFERS	0.		FMV
		EUROPE (INCLUDING ICELAND & GREENLAND) - ALBANIA, ANDORRA,	ANIMAL CONSERVATION	54,700.	CHECK AND WIRE TRANSFERS	0.		FMV

2 Enter total number of recipient organizations listed above that are recognized as charities by the foreign country, recognized as tax-exempt by the IRS, or for which the grantee or counsel has provided a section 501(c)(3) equivalency letter 2

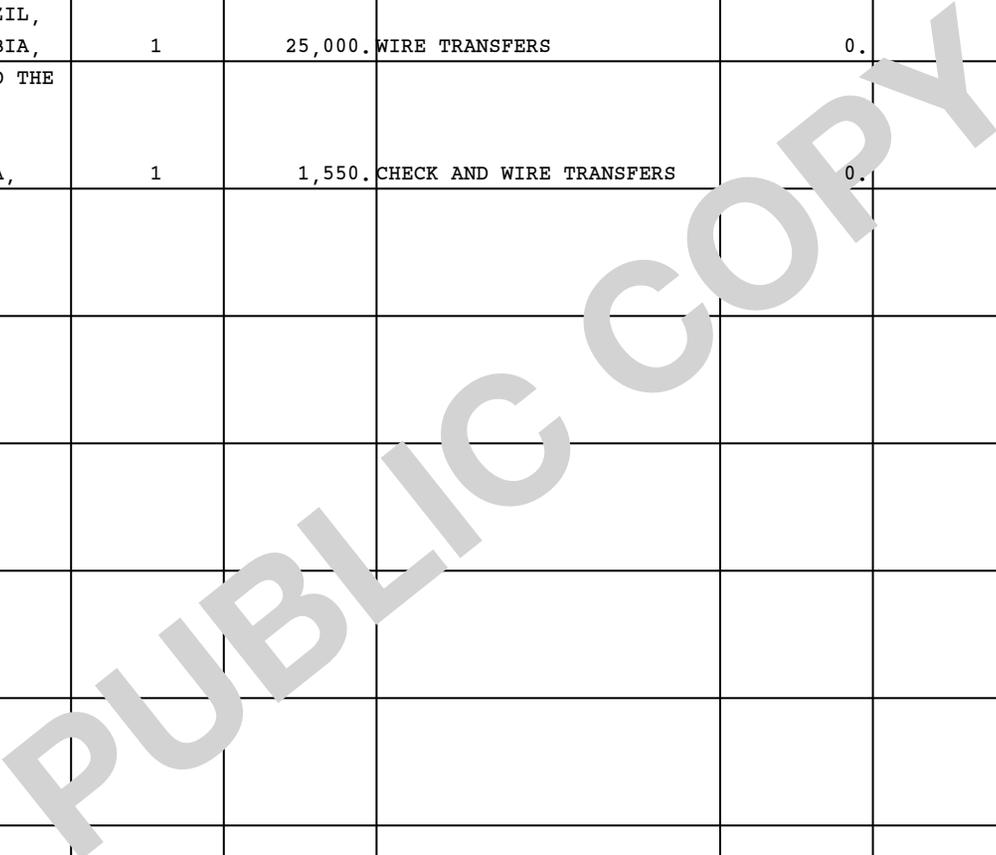
3 Enter total number of other organizations or entities 3

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**Part III Grants and Other Assistance to Individuals Outside the United States.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 16.

Part III can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

(a) Type of grant or assistance	(b) Region	(c) Number of recipients	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Manner of cash disbursement	(f) Amount of non-cash assistance	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)
ANIMAL CONSERVATION	SOUTH AMERICA - ARGENTINA, BOLIVIA, BRAZIL, CHILE, COLUMBIA,	1	25,000.	WIRE TRANSFERS	0.		FMV
ANIMAL CONSERVATION	EAST ASIA AND THE PACIFIC - AUSTRALIA, BRUNEI, BURMA,	1	1,550.	CHECK AND WIRE TRANSFERS	0.		FMV



**Part IV Foreign Forms**

- 1 Was the organization a U.S. transferor of property to a foreign corporation during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 926, Return by a U.S. Transferor of Property to a Foreign Corporation (see Instructions for Form 926)* .....  Yes  No
- 2 Did the organization have an interest in a foreign trust during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to separately file Form 3520, Annual Return To Report Transactions With Foreign Trusts and Receipt of Certain Foreign Gifts, and/or Form 3520-A, Annual Information Return of Foreign Trust With a U.S. Owner (see Instructions for Forms 3520 and 3520-A; do not file with Form 990)* .....  Yes  No
- 3 Did the organization have an ownership interest in a foreign corporation during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 5471, Information Return of U.S. Persons With Respect to Certain Foreign Corporations (see Instructions for Form 5471)* .....  Yes  No
- 4 Was the organization a direct or indirect shareholder of a passive foreign investment company or a qualified electing fund during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 8621, Information Return by a Shareholder of a Passive Foreign Investment Company or Qualified Electing Fund (see Instructions for Form 8621)* .....  Yes  No
- 5 Did the organization have an ownership interest in a foreign partnership during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 8865, Return of U.S. Persons With Respect to Certain Foreign Partnerships (see Instructions for Form 8865)* .....  Yes  No
- 6 Did the organization have any operations in or related to any boycotting countries during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to separately file Form 5713, International Boycott Report (see Instructions for Form 5713; do not file with Form 990)* .....  Yes  No

**Part V Supplemental Information**

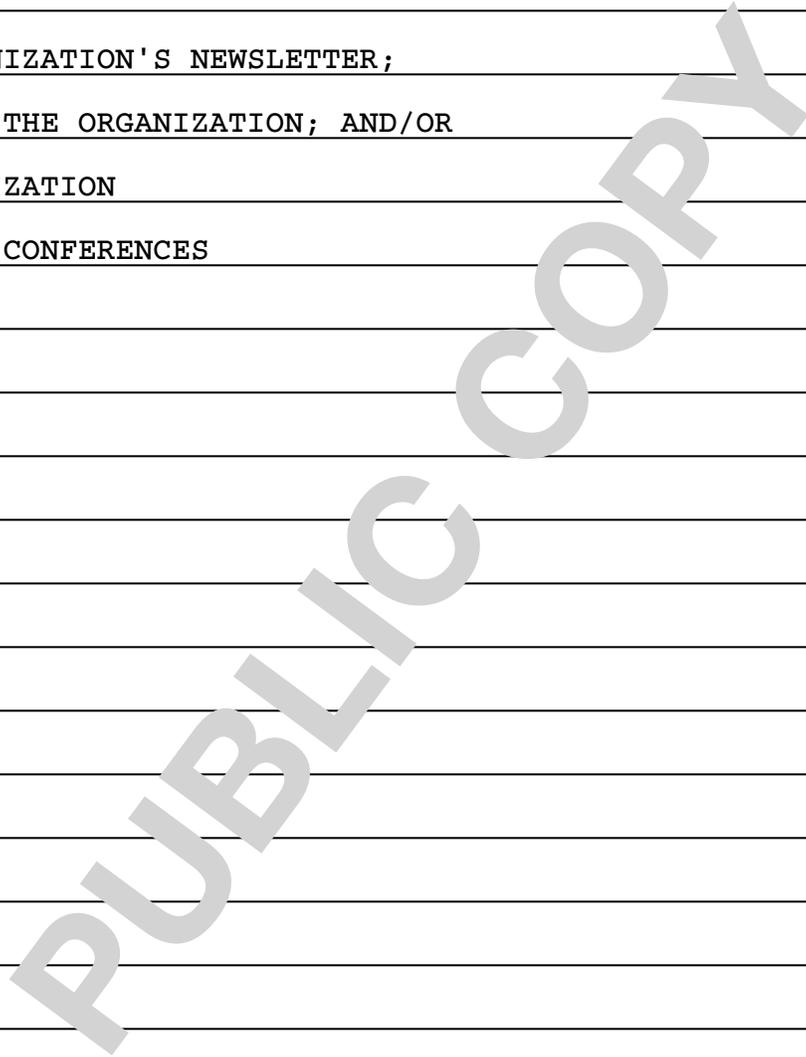
Provide the information required by Part I, line 2 (monitoring of funds); Part I, line 3, column (f) (accounting method; amounts of investments vs. expenditures per region); Part II, line 1 (accounting method); Part III (accounting method); and Part III, column (c) (estimated number of recipients), as applicable. Also complete this part to provide any additional information.

**PART I, LINE 2:**

**THE PRESIDENT AND THE CURATORS OF THE ZOO MONITOR USE OF THE GRANT FUNDS**

**BY:**

- 1. REVIEWING THE ORGANIZATION'S NEWSLETTER;**
- 2. COMMUNICATION WITH THE ORGANIZATION; AND/OR**
- 3. VISITING THE ORGANIZATION**
- 4. DISCUSSIONS AT AZA CONFERENCES**





**Part II Fundraising Events.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 18, or reported more than \$15,000 of fundraising event contributions and gross income on Form 990-EZ, lines 1 and 6b. List events with gross receipts greater than \$5,000.

		(a) Event #1	(b) Event #2	(c) Other events	(d) Total events (add col. (a) through col. (c))
		BOO @ ZOO (event type)	SUNSET SAFARI (event type)	5 (total number)	
Revenue	<b>1</b> Gross receipts .....	407,322.	222,071.	355,939.	985,332.
	<b>2</b> Less: Contributions .....	44,500.	71,859.	53,500.	169,859.
	<b>3</b> Gross income (line 1 minus line 2) .....	362,822.	150,212.	302,439.	815,473.
Direct Expenses	<b>4</b> Cash prizes .....				
	<b>5</b> Noncash prizes .....				
	<b>6</b> Rent/facility costs .....				
	<b>7</b> Food and beverages .....				
	<b>8</b> Entertainment .....				
	<b>9</b> Other direct expenses .....	117,924.	20,220.	125,986.	264,130.
	<b>10</b> Direct expense summary. Add lines 4 through 9 in column (d) .....				264,130.
<b>11</b> Net income summary. Subtract line 10 from line 3, column (d) .....				551,343.	

**Part III Gaming.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 19, or reported more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a.

		(a) Bingo	(b) Pull tab, instant bingo, progressive bingo	(c) Other gaming	(d) Total gaming (add col. (a) through col. (c))
		<b>1</b> Gross revenue .....			
Direct Expenses	<b>2</b> Cash prizes .....				
	<b>3</b> Noncash prizes .....				
	<b>4</b> Rent/facility costs .....				
	<b>5</b> Other direct expenses .....				
	<b>6</b> Volunteer labor .....	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No	
<b>7</b> Direct expense summary. Add lines 2 through 5 in column (d) .....					
<b>8</b> Net gaming income summary. Subtract line 7 from line 1, column (d) .....					

**9** Enter the state(s) in which the organization conducts gaming activities: \_\_\_\_\_  
**a** Is the organization licensed to conduct gaming activities in each of these states?  Yes  No  
**b** If "No," explain: \_\_\_\_\_

**10a** Were any of the organization's gaming licenses revoked, suspended or terminated during the tax year?  Yes  No  
**b** If "Yes," explain: \_\_\_\_\_

- 11 Does the organization conduct gaming activities with nonmembers?  Yes  No
- 12 Is the organization a grantor, beneficiary or trustee of a trust or a member of a partnership or other entity formed to administer charitable gaming?  Yes  No
- 13 Indicate the percentage of gaming activity conducted in:
 

a The organization's facility	<b>13a</b>	%
b An outside facility	<b>13b</b>	%
- 14 Enter the name and address of the person who prepares the organization's gaming/special events books and records:

Name ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

Address ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

- 15a Does the organization have a contract with a third party from whom the organization receives gaming revenue?  Yes  No
- b If "Yes," enter the amount of gaming revenue received by the organization ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_ and the amount of gaming revenue retained by the third party ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_.
- c If "Yes," enter name and address of the third party:

Name ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

Address ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

16 Gaming manager information:

Name ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

Gaming manager compensation ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Description of services provided ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

- Director/officer
- Employee
- Independent contractor

17 Mandatory distributions:

- a Is the organization required under state law to make charitable contributions from the gaming proceeds to retain the state gaming license?  Yes  No
- b Enter the amount of distributions required under state law to be distributed to other exempt organizations or spent in the organization's own exempt activities during the tax year: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Part IV** Supplemental Information. Provide the explanations required by Part I, line 2b, columns (iii) and (v); and Part III, lines 9, 9b, 10b, 15b, 15c, 16, and 17b, as applicable. Provide any additional information (see instructions).

**SCHEDULE G, PART I, LINE 2B, LIST OF TEN HIGHEST PAID FUNDRAISERS:**

(I) NAME OF FUNDRAISER: DONOR BY DESIGN

(I) ADDRESS OF FUNDRAISER: 724 N ELIZABETH AVE., FERGUSON, MO 63135



**SCHEDULE I  
(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations,  
Governments, and Individuals in the United States**  
Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 21 or 22.

▶ **Attach to Form 990.**

▶ **Information about Schedule I (Form 990) and its instructions is at [www.irs.gov/form990](http://www.irs.gov/form990).**

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Name of the organization **NASHVILLE ZOO INC.** Employer identification number **62-1411210**

**Part I General Information on Grants and Assistance**

- 1** Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of the grants or assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance?  **Yes**  **No**
- 2** Describe in Part IV the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of grant funds in the United States.

**Part II Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 21, for any recipient that received more than \$5,000. Part II can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

<b>1 (a)</b> Name and address of organization or government	<b>(b)</b> EIN	<b>(c)</b> IRC section if applicable	<b>(d)</b> Amount of cash grant	<b>(e)</b> Amount of non-cash assistance	<b>(f)</b> Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	<b>(g)</b> Description of non-cash assistance	<b>(h)</b> Purpose of grant or assistance
CHEETAH CONSERVATION FUND PO BOX 2496 ALEXANDRIA, VA 22301	31-1726923	501(C)(3)	10,000.	0.			TO SUPPORT CHEETAH CONSERVATION
DUKE UNIVERSITY-LEMUR CTR 3705 ERWIN ROAD DURHAM, NC 27705	56-0532129	501(C)(3)	10,000.	0.			TO SUPPORT LEMUR CONSERVATION
GORILLA REHABILITATION & CONSERVATION EDUCATION - PO BOX 334 - CUMBERLAND CENTER, ME 04021	46-2308758	501(C)(3)	100,000.	0.			TO SUPPORT GORILLA CONSERVATION
HOUSTON ZOO, INC. 1513 CAMBRIDGE STREET HOUSTON, TX 77030	74-1590271	501(C)(3)	7,500.	0.			TO SUPPORT GIANT ANTEATER CONSERVATION
LEWA WILDLIFE CONSERVANCY 495 MILLER AVE, SUITE 301 MILL VALLEY, CA 94941	87-0572187	501(C)(3)	7,500.	0.			TO SUPPORT RHINO CONSERVATION
MINNESOTA ZOO FOUNDATION 3000 ZOO BLVD. APPLE VALLEY, MN 55124	51-0147653	501(C)(3)	10,000.	0.			TO SUPPORT TIGER CONSERVATION

- 2** Enter total number of section 501(c)(3) and government organizations listed in the line 1 table **13.**
- 3** Enter total number of other organizations listed in the line 1 table

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Schedule I (Form 990) (2015)

**Part II** Continuation of Grants and Other Assistance to Governments and Organizations in the United States (Schedule I (Form 990), Part II.)

(a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section if applicable	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
SIA, INC. 106 TEXAS ST CYRIL, OK 73029	20-2111153	501(C)(3)	12,000.	0.			TO SUPPORT EAGLE CONSERVATION
THE INTERNATIONAL RHINO FDN 201 MAIN STREET, STE 2600 FORT WORTH, TX 76102	75-2395006	501(C)(3)	10,000.	0.			TO SUPPORT RHINO CONSERVATION
TIGER HAVEN 237 HARVEY ROAD KINGSTON, TN 37763	62-1536897	501(C)(3)	50,000.	0.			TO SUPPORT RESCUE SANCTUARY FACILITY FOR BIG CATS
TURTLE SURVIVAL ALLIANCE 1989 COLONIAL PARKWAY FORT WORTH, TX 76110	20-0785702	501(C)(3)	20,000.	0.			TO SUPPORT TURTLE CONSERVATION
WILDLIFE CONSERVATION GLOBAL 1615 RIVERSIDE AVENUE JACKSONVILLE, FL 32204	26-0035224	501(C)(3)	15,000.	0.			TO SUPPORT OKAPI CONSERVATION
WILDLIFE CONSERVATION SOCIETY 2300 SOUTHERN BLVD BRONX, NY 10460	13-1740011	501(C)(3)	8,000.	0.			TO SUPPORT ELEPHANT CONSERVATION
ZOO CONSERVATION OUTREACH GROUP C/O AZA - 8403 COLESVILLE ROAD, SUITE 710 - SILVER SPRING, MD 20910	75-2376327	501(C)(3)	17,765.	0.			TO SUPPORT GIANT ANTEATER CONSERVATION

**Part III Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Individuals.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 22.  
Part III can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

(a) Type of grant or assistance	(b) Number of recipients	(c) Amount of cash grant	(d) Amount of non-cash assistance	(e) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(f) Description of non-cash assistance

**Part IV Supplemental Information.** Provide the information required in Part I, line 2, Part III, column (b), and any other additional information.

PART I, LINE 2:

THE PRESIDENT AND THE CURATORS OF THE ZOO MONITOR USE OF THE GRANT FUNDS

BY:

1. REVIEWING THE ORGANIZATION'S NEWSLETTER;
2. COMMUNICATION WITH THE ORGANIZATION; AND/OR
3. VISITING THE ORGANIZATION
4. DISCUSSIONS AT AZA CONFERENCES

**SCHEDULE J  
(Form 990)**

**Compensation Information**

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For certain Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

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▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 23.

▶ Attach to Form 990.

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Name of the organization

**NASHVILLE ZOO INC.**

Employer identification number

**62-1411210**

**Part I Questions Regarding Compensation**

**1a** Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a. Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items.

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> First-class or charter travel             | <input type="checkbox"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Travel for companions                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tax indemnification and gross-up payments | <input type="checkbox"/> Health or social club dues or initiation fees   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary spending account            | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal services (e.g., maid, chauffeur, chef) |

**b** If any of the boxes on line 1a are checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment, reimbursement or provision of all of the expenses described above? If "No," complete Part III to explain

**2** Did the organization require substantiation prior to reimbursing or allowing expenses incurred by officers, directors, trustees, and officers, including the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked in line 1a?

**3** Indicate which, if any, of the following the filing organization used to establish the compensation of the organization's CEO/Executive Director. Check all that apply. Do not check any boxes for methods used by a related organization to establish compensation of the CEO/Executive Director, but explain in Part III.

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation committee              | <input type="checkbox"/> Written employment contract                                |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Independent compensation consultant | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation survey or study                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990 of other organizations                | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approved by the board or compensation committee |

**4** During the year, did any person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a with respect to the filing organization or a related organization:

- a** Receive a severance payment or change-of-control payment? **4a**
- b** Participate in, or receive payment from, a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan? **4b**
- c** Participate in, or receive payment from, an equity-based compensation arrangement? **4c**
- If "Yes" to any of lines 4a-c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III.

**Only section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations must complete lines 5-9.**

**5** For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the revenues of:

- a** The organization? **5a**
- b** Any related organization? **5b**
- If "Yes" to line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III.

**6** For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the net earnings of:

- a** The organization? **6a**
- b** Any related organization? **6b**
- If "Yes" on line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III.

**7** For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization provide any non-fixed payments not described on lines 5 and 6? If "Yes," describe in Part III

**8** Were any amounts reported on Form 990, Part VII, paid or accrued pursuant to a contract that was subject to the initial contract exception described in Regulations section 53.4958-4(a)(3)? If "Yes," describe in Part III

**9** If "Yes" to line 8, did the organization also follow the rebuttable presumption procedure described in Regulations section 53.4958-6(c)?

	Yes	No
<b>1b</b>		
<b>2</b>		
<b>4a</b>		X
<b>4b</b>		X
<b>4c</b>		X
<b>5a</b>		X
<b>5b</b>		X
<b>6a</b>		X
<b>6b</b>		X
<b>7</b>		X
<b>8</b>		X
<b>9</b>		

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Schedule J (Form 990) 2015

**Part II Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees.** Use duplicate copies if additional space is needed.

For each individual whose compensation must be reported on Schedule J, report compensation from the organization on row (i) and from related organizations, described in the instructions, on row (ii). Do not list any individuals that are not listed on Form 990, Part VII.

**Note:** The sum of columns (B)(i)-(iii) for each listed individual must equal the total amount of Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, applicable column (D) and (E) amounts for that individual.

(A) Name and Title		(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC compensation			(C) Retirement and other deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation in column (B) reported as deferred on prior Form 990
		(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				
(1) RICK SCHWARTZ PRESIDENT	(i)	290,698.	25,000.	18,000.	0.	12,760.	346,458.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
(2) SUZANNE ILER CHIEF DEVELOPMENT OFFICER	(i)	140,645.	200.	7,794.	1,558.	3,262.	153,459.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
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**SCHEDULE M  
(Form 990)**

**Noncash Contributions**

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- ▶ Complete if the organizations answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, lines 29 or 30.
- ▶ Attach to Form 990.
- ▶ Information about Schedule M (Form 990) and its instructions is at [www.irs.gov/form990](http://www.irs.gov/form990).

Name of the organization: **NASHVILLE ZOO INC.** Employer identification number: **62-1411210**

**Part I Types of Property**

	(a) Check if applicable	(b) Number of contributions or items contributed	(c) Noncash contribution amounts reported on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1g	(d) Method of determining noncash contribution amounts
1 Art - Works of art				
2 Art - Historical treasures				
3 Art - Fractional interests				
4 Books and publications				
5 Clothing and household goods				
6 Cars and other vehicles	X	1	916.	COMPARABLE SALES
7 Boats and planes				
8 Intellectual property				
9 Securities - Publicly traded	X	7	1,196,445.	FMV
10 Securities - Closely held stock				
11 Securities - Partnership, LLC, or trust interests				
12 Securities - Miscellaneous				
13 Qualified conservation contribution - Historic structures				
14 Qualified conservation contribution - Other				
15 Real estate - Residential				
16 Real estate - Commercial				
17 Real estate - Other				
18 Collectibles				
19 Food inventory	X	1	1,331.	FMV
20 Drugs and medical supplies	X	1	4,732.	FMV
21 Taxidermy				
22 Historical artifacts				
23 Scientific specimens				
24 Archeological artifacts				
25 Other ▶ ( <u>USED EQUIPMEN</u> )	X	2	39,500.	FMV
26 Other ▶ ( <u>TOURNAMENT IT</u> )	X	4	7,852.	FMV
27 Other ▶ ( )				
28 Other ▶ ( )				

29 Number of Forms 8283 received by the organization during the tax year for contributions for which the organization completed Form 990, Part IV, Donee Acknowledgement: **29** 1

	Yes	No
30a During the year, did the organization receive by contribution any property reported in Part I, lines 1 through 28, that it must hold for at least three years from the date of the initial contribution, and which is not required to be used for exempt purposes for the entire holding period?		X
b If "Yes," describe the arrangement in Part II.		
31 Does the organization have a gift acceptance policy that requires the review of any non-standard contributions?		X
32a Does the organization hire or use third parties or related organizations to solicit, process, or sell noncash contributions?		X
b If "Yes," describe in Part II.		
33 If the organization did not report an amount in column (c) for a type of property for which column (a) is checked, describe in Part II.		



**SCHEDULE O**  
**(Form 990 or 990-EZ)**

Department of the Treasury  
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**Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ**

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on  
Form 990 or 990-EZ or to provide any additional information.

▶ Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.

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NASHVILLE ZOO INC.

Employer identification number

62-1411210

FORM 990, PART I, LINE 1, DESCRIPTION OF ORGANIZATION MISSION:

CONSERVATION, INNOVATION AND LEADERSHIP. TO PROVIDE A FACILITY THAT IS  
RECOGNIZED FOR EXCELLENCE IN ANIMAL CARE AND GLOBAL CONSERVATION WHILE  
DELIVERING STRONG EDUCATIONAL AND COMMUNITY VALUE.

FORM 990, PART III, LINE 1, DESCRIPTION OF ORGANIZATION MISSION:

IN ANIMAL CARE AND GLOBAL CONSERVATION WITH STRONG COMMUNITY VALUE IN  
MIND. WE STRIVE TO BE THE BEST AT CREATING UNIQUE DESIGNS AND  
INNOVATIVE ARCHITECTURE AND HORTICULTURAL COMPONENTS TO ENHANCE  
EXHIBITS FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE ANIMALS, OUR VISITORS AND THE  
ZOOLOGICAL COMMUNITY.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 1:

THE BOARD HAS AN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE WHICH IS PERMITTED TO MAKE POLICY  
DECISIONS ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 2:

LINE 2 EXPLANATION - BOARD MEMBERS, ROBIN PATTON AND SARAH INGRAM, HAVE A  
FAMILY RELATIONSHIP.

BOARD MEMBER, KELLY BEAMAN, AND ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER, LEE BEAMAN, ARE  
MARRIED.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 11:

LINE 11A EXPLANATION - FORM 990 IS REVIEWED BY THE CFO AND PRESIDENT AND  
EMAILED TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR REVIEW BEFORE FILING.

Name of the organization NASHVILLE ZOO INC.	Employer identification number 62-1411210
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FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 12C:

AN ANNUAL QUESTIONNAIRE IS GIVEN TO THE BOARD AND PRESIDENT. POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST, WITH ALL MATERIAL FACTS, ARE BROUGHT TO THE BOARD FOR DISCUSSION. IF APPROPRIATE, AN APPOINTED PERSON OR COMMITTEE WILL DETERMINE IF A BETTER PROPOSAL CAN BE ATTAINED THAT DOES NOT GIVE RISE TO A CONFLICT OF INTEREST. IF NOT, THE BOARD VOTES ON WHETHER THE ARRANGEMENT OR TRANSACTION IS IN THE ZOO'S BEST INTEREST AND IS FAIR AND REASONABLE.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 15:

A COMPENSATION COMMITTEE IS ESTABLISHED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS. THE COMPENSATION COMMITTEE REVIEWS DATA AND ESTABLISHES THE SALARY OF THE PRESIDENT. DURING 2015, THE BOARD COMMISSIONED A COMPENSATION STUDY FOR EVERY POSITION AT THE ZOO INCLUDING OFFICERS. THIS STUDY WAS PERFORMED BY AN INDEPENDENT THIRD PARTY FROM THE CENTER FOR NON-PROFIT MANAGEMENT. THE STUDY ANALYZED JOB POSITIONS/DESCRIPTIONS AT THE ZOO AND COMPARED TO COMPENSATION AT OTHER SIMILAR ZOOS, NOT FOR PROFITS, ETC. TO DETERMINE REASONABLE AND COMPETITIVE PAY LEVELS.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION C, LINE 19:

MADE AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST. AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ARE AVAILABLE ON THE WEBSITE ALONG WITH FORM 990.